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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

This is a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) month(s) from January 15, 2001 to April 16, 2001 to respond to Notice to File Missing Parts mailed November 15, 2000.

Enclosed herewith is a check for the required fee of \$445.00 for a small entity.

Applicant also conditionally petitions for a further extension time to provide for the possibility that such a petition is required.

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If for any reason a fee is required, a fee paid is inadequate or credit is owed for any excess fee paid, you are hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

Respectfully submitted,
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